



JC03 Rec'd PCT/PTO 29 APR 2005 PCT

9035.1028

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Re: Application of: FUJITA, Etsunori et al.
Serial No.: 10/520,458
Filed: January 6, 2005
For: SEAT STRUCTURE

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

April 26, 2005

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to M.P.E.P. §609 and 37 C.F.R. §§1.56, 1.97-1.99, applicant submits herewith an information disclosure citation which lists references of which the applicant is aware. A copy of each of the references is also submitted herewith.

An English translation of JP 2002-012072 is not available at this time. However, an English-language abstract of this reference is submitted herewith. It is respectfully submitted that the relevance of this reference can be readily understood by referring to the drawings of the patent and corresponding English-language abstract provided.

I hereby certify that this correspondence and/or fee is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as "first class mail" in an envelope addressed to:
"Commissioner for Patents, P. O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450"
on April 26, 2005.

STEINBERG & RASHIN, P.C.

BY: 

An English translation of JP 2003-180481 is not available at this time. However, an English-language abstract of this reference is submitted herewith. It is respectfully submitted that the relevance of this reference can be readily understood by referring to the drawings of the patent and corresponding English-language abstract provided.

This submission does not represent that a search has been made or that no better art exists. While the term "references" is used in citing the publications called to the examiner's attention herein, applicants do not make any admission that each or all of them are "prior art" references within the meaning of the statutory and case law.

Applicant reserves the right to contend, where appropriate, that a reference asserted against any claim of the present application is not prior art under the facts and the law.

Applicant also reserves the right to present appropriate arguments and/or evidence to establish patentability over the references, should one or more of the references be applied against the claims of the present application.


Applicant respectfully requests that the examiner independently determine those items which the examiner would consider the most pertinent of all the references cited herein.

Applicant respectfully requests that the references be considered and made of record.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed prior to the receipt of the first office action and therefore no fee is due. However, in the event that a fee is required, the Director is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 500518.


Respectfully submitted,

By:


Dona C. Edwards
Reg. No. 42,507

Encls. PTO-1449
3 References
International Search Report

Steinberg & Raskin, P.C.
1140 Avenue of the Americas, 15th Floor
New York, NY 10036-5803
Telephone: (212) 768-3800
Facsimile: (212) 382-2124
E-mail: pto@steinberggraskin.com

FORM PTO-1449 (REV. 7-80)		U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE		ATTY. DOCKET NO.: 9035.1028		SERIAL NO.: 10/520,458								
<div style="text-align: center;">  </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> LIST OF PRIOR ART CITED BY APPLICANT <small>(Use several sheets if necessary)</small> </div>				APPLICANT(S): FUJITA, Etsunori et al.										
				FILING DATE: January 6, 2005		GROUP: Not yet known								
U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS														
*EXAMINER INITIAL	AA	DOCUMENT NUMBER							DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUBCLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE	
	AA	5	2	9	5	7	2	9	03/1994	Viano	297	216.14		
	AB													
	AC													
	AD													
	AE													
	AF													
	AG													
	AH													
	AI													
	AJ													
	AK													
FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS														
		DOCUMENT NUMBER							DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	SUBCLASS	TRANSLATION	
													YES	NO
	AL	2	0	0	2	01	20	72		Japan			Abstract	
	AM	2	0	0	3	18	04	81		Japan			Abstract	
	AN													
	AO													
	AP													
OTHER PRIOR ART (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)														
	AQ													
	AR													
	AS													
EXAMINER:										DATE CONSIDERED				
<small>*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609; Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.</small>														